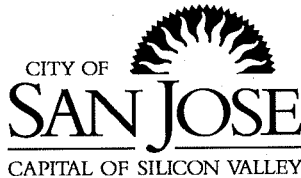


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Memorandum

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INFORMATION

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

State Budget Update —In an effort to provide you with current information on the State Budget as presented by the City's Representative in Sacramento, Roxanne Miller, visit http://sanjose.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish_id=199 to access Roxanne's report to the Rules and Open Government Committee on December 12. The City Manager's Office will continue to forward timely information in this format when our State and Federal lobbyists present to the Rules and Open Government Committee. Please note that the tape continues with additional agenda items until the Committee concludes. A transcript of Roxanne's report is also available on the site. For more information, contact Betsy Shotwell at 535-8270.

Employment Opportunities Available for Census 2010 —In the next few months, the U.S. Census Bureau will be hiring 600 people to work locally as census workers for the 2010 Census. Positions include Listers, Crew Leaders, Crew Leaders Assistants and Field Operations Supervisors. Basic qualifications for applicants include U.S. residency, at least 18 years of age, a valid social security number, passage of a background check and valid driver's license (for field workers). Candidates will also be required to take a test. Compensation ranges between \$22-\$25/hour, depending on the position and candidate's experience. I have asked departments to share these employment opportunities with the community and I would like to request the same from Council offices. For a sample test or for more information, please visit www.census.gov. To apply or schedule testing, call 1-866-861-2010.

Dolce Hayes Mansion Updates —On November 18, Dolce Hotels and Resorts, the management company for the City's Hayes Mansion Conference Center, announced the appointment of Mr. Steven A. Rudnitsky as Dolce's new President and CEO. Mr. Rudnitsky was selected to lead Dolce Hotels and Resorts in its goal of doubling its portfolio of hotels within the next five years. This expansion will benefit the Hayes Mansion as it will be part of company-wide marketing efforts. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Rudnitsky served as CEO of Wyndham Worldwide's Hotel Group. In related news, Dolce Hayes Mansion received the Platinum Choice Award from the readers of Smart Meetings Magazine. The award recognizes properties with exceptional ambiance, amenities, service and technology. For more information, contact Scott P. Johnson at 535-7000.

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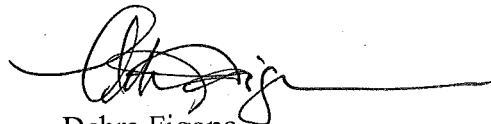
City Hosts Earthquake Training —On December 1-4, fifty-five people participated in an earthquake class taught by the California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI). This training is the premier emergency management course offered by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES). Classes were held at the San José Fire Training Center, followed by exercises in the Emergency Operations Center. Participants included members from the City's senior management team, Business Executives for National Security (BENS), Red Cross, Santa Clara County, the Cities of Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos Hills, and San José's RACES, the City's volunteer ham radio club. Department of Homeland Security funds covered tuition costs for all City employees. Team training opportunities such as this one help improve the City's ability to respond to a major disaster. For more information, contact Kim Shunk at 277-3747.

Solar Powered Instruments, Cookers to Help Students Learn about Energy —On December 4, local school teachers attended the first in a series of *Solar Schoolhouse* workshops aimed at providing classroom lessons and curriculum tools for teaching solar energy to students. The lessons begin with the fundamentals of solar energy and then apply these principles toward projects such as building a solar powered musical instrument and constructing a working solar cooker out of a pizza box. *Solar Schoolhouse* is an energy conservation program sponsored by the Bay Area nonprofit Rarus Institute that promotes renewable energy in California. The workshop was made possible by the City's Silicon Valley Energy Watch Program in partnership with Pacific Gas and Electric. For more information, contact Jesse Denver at 975-2588.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Roosevelt Community Center Grand Opening, Saturday, December 13, 10:00 a.m., 901 East Santa Clara Street. For more information, contact Brian Clampitt at 794-6203.

Fire Station 12 Grand Opening - Friday, December 19, 2008, 3 p.m., 5912 Calero Ave. For more information, contact Fire Administration at 277-4444.



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